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Reciprocity and Foreign Tariffs.

The Democratic Congress made a fine mess of it when it repealed the reciprocity provisions of the McKinley tariff act. Those provisions opened for this country a profitable trade that was steadily increasing when the Democratic statesmen determined to have no more of it.

Under the reciprocity treaties we were fostering our own interests and at the same time pursuing a policy that gave satisfaction to certain other countries. In particular we were making strides in profitable trade with countries south of us. The scheme of the Democratic theorists did not permit this to go on. It was stopped short, and this country loses by the change.

One result of the change is the discrimination against our products going to Cuba. On these Spain has placed her maximum tariff. Not content to do business with us on the same basis as before the negotiation of the reciprocity treaty, Spain retaliates by clapping on schedules of duties which she imposes on no other country except Brazil.

Of this we have a right to complain, and in response to this challenge the President has authority, given to him by a Republican Congress, to retaliate by prohibiting such imports from Spain and her possessions as he may select. He has only to hit sugar to bring Spain to terms. This phase of the question has a status of its own apart from the abrogation of the reciprocity treaty, although it is closely related to that matter.

Disapproval of the course of Congress is not inconsistent with approval of the exercise of the executive authority to meet unfair discrimination.

New York is having a great season of grand opera. If you happen there with seven dollars to spare you may get one of the best seats in the house.

Concerning Good Resolutions.

Some people are queer about some things. For example, a man writes to ask the INTELLIGENCER whether it would advise him to make any good resolutions for the new year. He says that he has made good resolutions at the beginning of every year for ten years and always broken them. He would like to try it again if he "thought it any use."

We are sorry to hear this. So much failure in a matter of this kind indicates a weak character. A strong man may undertake something and fail in it because it is above his might, or because he cannot bend circumstances to do his will. A man in good mental health should be able to hold fast to any resolution he may make that looks to right living.

The INTELLIGENCER's advice to this inquirer is to go into executive session with himself and give himself a thorough looking over. After he has seen wherein he is weak let him resolve to be a man, to put under his feet and keep there every bad habit.

He admits that he has one bad habit, that of breaking good resolutions. Let him determine to reform that. Then he will be safe to make as many good resolutions as he pleases. If he keeps the first all the others will stand with it.

Mr. CROKER has this advantage over Mr. Croker, that nobody is pestering him to tell where he got his wealth. Even Mr. Croker can appreciate this.

Chief Healy's Re-election.

The action of the Republican minority in council last night was simply bearing out their expressed intention. There have been several features of the contest of a character justly to cause indignation on the Republican side, but in spite of all the attempts at snap judgment the minority met with the majority and constituted a quorum for the transaction of business.

The final outcome is satisfactory. The result is the re-election of a faithful and competent public servant, who has won the approval of all good citizens, regardless of partisan feelings, by his efficient administration of an important part of the city's business.

The storm swept over the country from ocean to ocean. Its scope was unusual.

Col. BRECKINRIDGE is not drawing well on his lecturing tour. Some people go out of curiosity to see what he looks like, but there are not enough of these to make encouraging receipts. If Breckinridge had any sense of shame he

would not put himself on show. Thus far Miss Pollard has shown more modesty than the aged party of the other part. Breckinridge is not only not ashamed of the role he has played, but he is trying to bank on it.

The Republic in Brazil.

With the army of Brazil against him the president of Brazil finds himself in a bad row of stumps. The army comes near being the determining factor in Brazilian affairs. Much as those who believe in a republican form of government would like to see all the world under that form of government, it appears that another form is best suited to some countries.

From all that has happened since Brazil overthrew the empire under the mild sway of Dom Pedro, it does not appear that the country was prepared for the change. It may work out its salvation under the new conditions, but it seems destined to more overturning before it can reach the point of stability.

Coxey will not make a fight for a presidential nomination, but if tendered he will consider it his duty to accept. When there is anything lying around loose you always know where to find a really great man of Coxey's grade.

Reform School for Girls.

A reform school for girls is as much a public necessity as a reform school for boys. Fortunately, not so many girls as boys need this special care by the state, but the eligible candidates among the girls have urgent need of just this sort of protection and education.

It took some time and much argument to bring the legislature to do something for the boys. This step having been taken there should be less trouble to induce the legislature to make provision for the girls. It is in the interest of humanity and good public policy.

ANTHONY COMSTOCK denies that Streep, the green goods man, who testified before the Lexow committee, ever gave him anything of value, and brands him as a perjurer. A very strong case will have to be made against Mr. Comstock before it will be believed that he is guilty as charged by Streep.

If the tone of the Register were not so discouraged and discouraging some Democrats might be willing to run for something in Wheeling at the coming election. Party men can't be expected to be very hopeful when they are being drenched with water at the present low temperature.

Ir President Cleveland had sent Senator Hill some of those ducks the yawning gulf between them might have been closed. Perhaps the President did not wish to close it. He may have use for Hill as a healthy opposition within the party.

Mr. CROKER declares that he has no intention of "knocking the lining out of" Mr. Bourke Cockran. This assurance will enable Mr. Cockran to hail with some joy the coming of the new year.

It is a little hard on him to have to take her sleighing, but some of the good things of life come high. It should be some consolation to him to know that the snow will not last for ever and a day.

The thermometer speaks too many tongues to tell the truth. The only thermometer to reckon on is the standard. The varying range of the others is something wonderful to behold.

It was a good thought of some good people to give the inmates of the county indurmy a good time during the holiday season. There are good hearts in this good world.

SOME of the eastern newspapers are writing about West Virginia politics as though they need a primary course on the subject.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

Crying Need for Such an Institution in This State—Strong Reasons Why It Should Be Established.

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

Sir:—In a short time a bill will be introduced in our next legislature which we feel sure will meet with the approval of the best citizens in our state who have a real desire for its prosperity, and it is the desire of a large number of people that it be passed.

It is for the formation of an Industrial School for Girls. No bill could be passed that would confer a greater benefit on our state. In other states such schools have been crowned with abundant success, and each year proves the wisdom of such a step. There are quite young girls in every community who are a constant menace to all the boys and girls with whom they come in contact.

We see little girls from seven to seventeen standing around on corners listening to coarse jokes, indecent language, irreverent and profane speech and submitting to undue familiarity of vile men. Little ones who have no parents, or such as are wholly incompetent to care for them; some whose parents have died, and the girls are left in the care of people who feel no responsibility or are wholly unfit to care for them. Young girls of twelve years of age are picked up at midnight and put in our lockups. There is not a town in our state where there may not be one or more such cases that would be greatly benefited by such a school and the training it would give. They could become useful citizens, wives and mothers, instead of growing up moral lepers and becoming mothers of a race of criminals.

Year after year these girls enter the labyrinth and are destroyed by the monster of impurity. They are in the midst of manifold perverting influences. Everywhere the sacrifice is going on. How shall we hinder it? Something must be done to save these little ones from becoming abandoned women. Shall we not give them a higher aim in life?

We can in this way advance personal and public purity in our state. The state that takes care of its children is laying the foundation for good citizenship.

This good work will gladden homes now sorrowful and dark. Pure habits drilled into the forming brain of childhood means Christian womanhood and Christian citizenship.

Line upon line, precept upon precept graven in the brain and worked

into the warp and woof of character in its formative period will build strong foundations for the future womanhood. Many mothers enshrined in the safe seclusion of pure homes are blind to the dangers menacing their loved ones. Blindness to moral danger often incites calamity. Every parent of one child or more needs to recognize the fact that certain moral evils infest the moral atmosphere of childhood.

The object of this school is for the purpose of training and protecting just such girls as are mentioned, and to teach them pure habits, to instruct them in some useful occupation, chiefly housework, and make them pure, useful and honorable citizens, who will be an honor to any community.

We hope our legislature will see the wisdom of this step, and go prepared to do all in their power to make it a success.

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 28.

IN A NUTSHELL.

A Simple Explanation of the Provisions of the Currency Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Representative Springer gave to an Associated Press reporter the following summary, intended as a popular explanation of the currency bill as modified by the late Carlisle amendments:

"In the first place," said Mr. Springer, "the Carlisle bill proposes a radical change in the manner of securing the bank note circulation. The rapid payment of the public debt, the limited number of bonds now outstanding, and the further fact that many of them are held in trust capacities in this country and as permanent investments by persons residing abroad, have rendered the kind of security now required impracticable. The Carlisle bill proposes for security of the circulating notes of the national banks, instead of United States bonds, a guarantee fund consisting of legal tender notes or currency certificates to the amount of 30 per cent of the circulation applied for; also a safety fund to be raised by a tax of one-half of 1 per cent per annum upon the circulating notes until it reaches 5 per centum of the whole circulation, and as a further security a first lien upon all the assets of the bank, and upon the amount which may be realized by the double liability feature of the national banking law."

"The guarantee fund of 30 per centum, the assets of the bank and the personal liability of the stockholders can only go to the payment of the circulating notes of the bank which issues them, but the 5 per cent guarantee fund raised by a tax upon all the circulation of the country is a common fund out of which the notes of any failed bank may be paid, if the guarantee fund, the assets and personal liabilities of the stockholders are not sufficient. Thus, on a circulation of \$200,000,000, the present national bank circulation, the safety fund would amount to \$10,000,000, and this whole fund could be drawn upon to pay the notes of any bank that failed. This security is considered ample by the safest financiers and bankers of the country."

"The currency bill as amended does not compel national banks to enter the new system. They may continue under the old law, but it is thought that banking officials will soon see the advantage of the new plan and adopt it."

SAW A VISION.

And it Told Him His Aunt Was Ill—He Found it to Be True, But Acted Very Foolishly.

DERBY, Conn., Dec. 28.—John Connors, a man of fifty, got ready to go to bed at 11 o'clock last night. Then without saying anything to his family, barefooted and bareheaded, and clad only in his night clothes, he walked six miles through a foot of snow and in a blinding storm to the home of his uncle, Michael McEnerney, at Orange. He was found there by a searching party in the early morning.

McEnerney was surprised at the appearance of his nephew, and the more so, when Connors explained the reason of it. He said that as he was about to get into bed an apparition appeared and told him Mrs. McEnerney, his aunt, was seriously ill, and so he had at once started for her home. At 10 o'clock, an hour before Connors left Derby, Mrs. McEnerney had a severe stroke of paralysis, which will doubtless prove fatal.

Connors is now confined to his bed and is not likely to recover from the effects of his long journey, exposed as he was to the elements.

CURRENT LEVITIES.

A Yorkshire farmer, having a horse to sell at a fair, sold it to an army contractor. Meeting him at the same fair the following year, the army buyer walked up to the farmer and said indignantly: "The horse I bought of you was a thorough fraud. It was no use for the army." The dealer was nowise abashed, but replied: "Well, try him for the navy!"—Philadelphia Record.

"Running a society paper, are you, Bilgins? Well, that ought to pay. There are lots of people who like to see their names in print." "I don't mind telling you, old man, that I make the most of my money off people who don't want to see their names in print."—Indianapolis Journal.

Jorkins—"Say, old man, can you let me—?" Perkins—"Hold on, my boy. Don't dun me for that \$5 I owe you." Jorkins—"Why not?" Perkins—"I have been dunned by twelve men already to-day, and thirteen is an unlucky number."—Harper's Bazar.

"Do you think," said the passenger on the front platform of the street car, "that it hurts a horse to dock it tail?" "Yes," replied the man who handles the brake, "but not as much as it does a driver to dock his wages."—Washington Star.

"Spencer must be doing a great deal better lately." "He is. He has met several new men that he can borrow of."—Inter Ocean.

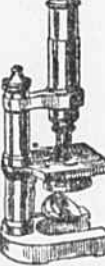
"But what earthly use is it to discover the North Pole? I can't see it." "It will save future expeditions."—Harper's Bazar.

A Christmas story—"I did not expect a single present."—Life.

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From time to time developments in the newly worked Marshall county oil field have been mentioned in the INTELLIGENCER, and from the action of certain of the operators in the territory opposite Clarksburg it was reasonably to be supposed that the experimental wells had "panned out" as well as expected. Those wells are being guarded, and it is next to impossible to secure information of the result of the work of the drill.

That the oil experts who started out by leasing a few farms, have faith in the Marshall field is apparent to a man with half an eye. Although the cold weather is delaying practical work in the field, it has no effect on another branch of the oil business, more important than the other. Many oil men, most of them from Pittsburgh, are now scouring the county securing leases on farms, and competition has advanced the prices, and in addition many farmers are demanding bonuses, which in most cases are given by the oil people.

Hardly any part of the county has escaped the oil expert, leases having recently been made for farms in the neighborhood of Rosby's Rock, seven miles back from Moundsville. Hardly a farm between Moundsville and Clarksburg has not already been leased. The people everywhere expect an oil boom the coming spring, with the accompaniment of better times.

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